

Board Meeting
November 14, 2007

ROLL CALL

EMPLOY ARCHITECT/ENGINEER FOR POMOLOGY RESEARCH FARM
RELOCATION, PHASE II, URBANA

Action: Approve Employment of Architect/Engineer for Pomology Research Farm Relocation, Phase II, Urbana

Funding: Institutional Funds Operating Budget

This \$1.9 million project to relocate the Pomology Research Facilities to a site south of Windsor Road and west of Race Street was approved June 2007. In addition to extending electric, gas, water, and telecommunication lines from Lincoln Avenue, the project will include site development and construction of two or three modest research buildings.

In order for the project to proceed, it is necessary to employ an architect/engineer for the required professional services. The selection of the architect/engineer for this project was in accordance with the requirements and provisions

of Public Act 87-673 (Architectural, Engineering and Land Surveying Qualifications-Based Selection Act).¹

Accordingly, the Chancellor at Urbana with the concurrence of the appropriate administrative officers recommends that Hurst-Rosche Engineers, Inc., of Springfield, Illinois, be employed for the professional services required through the construction administration phase of the project. The firm's fixed fees will be \$117,920; for on-site observation on an hourly basis not to exceed \$70,000; for warranty phase on an hourly basis not to exceed \$3,000; and for authorized reimbursable expenses estimated at \$32,825.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and the Board of Trustees policies and directives.

Funds for this project are available from institutional funds operating budget of the Urbana campus.

The President of the University concurs.

¹A selection committee consisting of Kevin Duff (University Office for Facilities Planning and Programs), Matthew Edmonson (Facilities and Services), Ralf Moller (College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences), and Jeremy Shafer (Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences) interviewed the following firms (listed in ranking order): (1) Hurst-Rosche Engineers, Inc., Springfield, IL; (2) Farnsworth Group, Inc., Bloomington, IL; and (3) Doyle & Associates, Chicago, IL. The committee recommends Hurst-Rosche Engineers, Inc., Springfield, IL, as best meeting the criteria for the project.